



We're calling on artists of every kind to join us for the 2026 Harvest Christian Church Art Exhibition – a vibrant celebration of creativity inspired by the theme “Community.”

This is not just an exhibition. It's an invitation to worship through art. To bring your boldest, most imaginative interpretation of the truth in Genesis 1:1 – “In the beginning, God created...” – and the wonder of Ephesians 2:10 – “We are His workmanship.

Celebrate the glory of the Creator and His redemptive artistry through paintings, sculptures, photography, and mixed media that defy the expected and stir the soul.

ART EXHIBITION 2026

Exhibition Dates: 19 August – 2 September 2026

THEME: “COMMUNITY”

Your work might explore:

Community, Love, the Church - body of Christ, the bride of Christ, the temple, servanthood, ministry, the collective purpose, (Romans 12)

Humanity in God's Image: Portraits, movement, diversity, resilience, community, identity.

Fellowship & Unity

Love in Action

Diversity in the Body of Christ

Belonging

Bearing Each Other's Burdens

Discipleship

Abstract & Metaphoric: Interpretive work using colour, texture, movement, or symbolism to convey unseen truths.

We invite submissions that dare to be bold, bright, edgy, and abstract. Think vivid colour, unexpected form, layered texture, and emotionally evocative storytelling. Surprise us. Challenge us. Let your work stir wonder!



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

We welcome:

- Christian Artists – All visual styles and disciplines.
- Christian Photographers – Amateur to professional.
- Mixed Media & Physical Artforms – Including sculpture, ceramics, installations, and more.
- Collaborative submissions (e.g. artist + photographer teams) are encouraged.

(Please note poetry, spoken word, drama, and writing will be celebrated in a separate creative event.)

Artists of all skill levels are welcome, but submitted work must align with the biblical theme and values of the exhibition.

MEDIUM-SPECIFIC GUIDELINES:

- Paintings, Drawings, Prints: Must be ready to hang with appropriate mounting, frame, or hooks.
- Photography: High-res JPEG (min. 3000px on longest side, 300dpi, no watermarks). Please include title, camera info (optional), and location. Categories may include/Nature, Portrait, Macro, Human Story, Abstract.
- Sculpture/Ceramics: Must be freestanding or plinth ready.

APPLICATION STAGE 1: EMAIL

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES: (not all work submitted is automatically selected to be displayed)

Core Requirements:

- 1.Originality – All works must be your own. No copies, no AI generated art, no plagiarism. Work must not appear to be recognisable as sourced from other well-known photos or resource material.
- 2.Theme Connection – Clearly respond to “Community.”
- 3.Ethical Integrity – Art should honour human dignity, avoid harmful stereotypes, and reflect biblical values.
- 4.Creative Rationale – A short paragraph (max 100 words) explaining how your piece connects to your faith and the theme.
- 5.Rights & Usage – You retain full copyright. By submitting, you grant us non-exclusive permission to display, promote, and publish your work for the purpose of this event (with full credit given).
- 6.Format for Initial Submission – Email your Stage 1 submission to creative@harvest.co.za.



Please include the following:

- **Artist name**
- **Instagram handle or email address**
- **Title of artwork**
- **100-word creative rationale**
- **Dimensions (L x W x D)**
- **Asking price (include 10% Harvest donation to our Poor Fund)**
- **A clear, well-lit photograph of the artwork**
- **Each work submitted must include a completed entry form.**

There is no limit to how many artworks can be submitted (within reason). Space is limited.

STAGE 2: IN-PERSON DELIVERY

If selected, you'll be invited to bring your piece to the venue (82/90 Albert Road, Walmer) for final round judging by our creative panel.

Entry is free. Artists may insure works at their discretion.

KEY DATES (PROVISIONAL):

Submissions Open: **20 July 2026**

Stage 1 Deadline (Email Submission): **3 August 2026**

Selection Notification: **5 August 2026**

Stage 2 (In-Person Submission): **6-12 August 2026**

Exhibition Launch: **19 August 2026**

Exhibition ends **2 September 2026**. Display will be removed, and art must be collected by either buyers or artists as soon as possible. Transfer of payments received for sale of art will be actioned as soon as possible. Sold and unsold work to be collected **by 4th September** please

SELECTION CRITERIA:

A jury from our creative team will review works based on:

Artistic merit and technical skill

Originality and innovation

Clarity and depth of theme interpretation

Emotional and spiritual resonance

EXHIBITION & PRESENTATION:

Selected works will be showcased in:

A Physical Gallery Space (walls, screens, ceiling installations, and display plinths)

Digital Platforms – Instagram, YouTube, and Facebook

Immersive Experiences – Unique installations as agreed with artists and organisers.

Although precautions will be taken, participants are responsible for their artworks and indemnify Harvest Christian Church against loss or damage.

Check updates at: www.harvest.co.za/creative

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CHRISTIAN ART
EXHIBITION
AUGUST 2026**

THEME:
COMMUNITY

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SALES & PROCEEDS

All exhibited works must include a sale price.

Sales and payment will be facilitated by Harvest.

A 10% handling fee (net of card fees) will go to the Harvest Missions Poor Fund. Please include this in your asking price.

MARKETING & PROMOTION

Your work will be promoted through:

Harvest's media platforms, partner churches, schools, and art networks

Earned media, PR campaigns, and public relations

WHY PARTICIPATE?

Glorify God: Your art is worship.

Build Community: Connect with artists of faith.

Grow Your Audience: Get featured in a professional exhibition.

Deepen Your Faith: Let the creative process draw you closer to the Creator.

Inspire Others: Move hearts. Provoke thought. Share the Gospel in beauty.



ENTRY FORM

(One form per artwork to be attached to the artwork to be delivered to Harvest if selected.)

Name: _____

Cell Number: _____ Instagram Handle: _____

Email: _____

Title of Artwork: _____


Medium: _____ Dimensions (L x W x D): _____


Asking Price: _____

100-word Creative Rationale: CAN BE EMAILED (Preferred)

I understand that while Harvest will take all reasonable precautions, I am responsible for the safety of my work and indemnify Harvest Christian Church against any loss or damage.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

READY TO SUBMIT?  Email your work to: creative@harvest.co.za

 For details and updates: www.harvest.co.za/creative